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Interview Summary

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If Yes, brief description: _____.

Claim(s) discussed: claim 31 of amendment filed 1/3/08.

Identification of prior art discussed: N/A.

Agreement with respect to the claims f) ☐ was reached. g) ☒ was not reached. h) ☐ N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: The applicant has argued that Alexander does not teach the newly presented limitations. The examiner will respond to the amendment filed 1/3/08.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

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